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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR : FORMING METAL SILICATE FILM, AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING :

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2008, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.